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DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL Transportation Practice Group Litigation Division

Summary

Litigation attorney in the Transportation Practice Group Section manages a substantial caseload, primarily initiating and prosecuting condemnation cases on behalf of the State of Indiana through its agencies. Reports to the Section Chief of the Transportation Practice Group.

Primary subject matter of cases

- File condemnation cases brought on behalf of the State of Indiana through its agencies. Most of the condemnation cases are on behalf of the Indiana Department of Transportation for the purpose of improving State highways.
- Prosecute the litigation of cases from initial filing through acquisition of real estate.
- Handle inverse condemnation cases and quiet title actions brought against the State of Indiana through its agencies.
- Review real estate transactions for compliance with law and to ensure State receives clear title.

Principal duties

- Handle all phases of litigation, including research and preparation of pleadings, motions and briefs; discovery consultation with clients; investigation of facts; appearance in court for all hearings and conferences; negotiation of settlements; bench and jury trials.
- Advise clients and other State officials and employees regarding issues that arise in litigation.
- Supervise work of assigned paralegal on discovery and other tasks.
- Participate at various levels of appeals from trial courts.
- Travel as required or appropriate for the assigned case.
- Maintain the file of the assigned case in an organized manner.
- Direct the closing of cases and case files that have reached final disposition.
- Perform other tasks as assigned by Section Chief.

Qualifications

- Licensed to practice law in Indiana.
- Civil litigation experience in state court.
- Knowledge of state court practice rules.
- Familiarity with real estate principles, appraisal principles and practices and property law.
- Familiarity with substantive state law of the eminent domain process, rules of evidence, trial and appellate procedures, and rules of alternative dispute resolution.

- Capable oral advocacy in litigation settings. Ability to work with other attorneys and support staff.
- Ability to zealously negotiate settlements or mediate resolution of cases.
- Ability to work well with clients and witnesses; maintain an objective of service to assigned state agencies; respond promptly to client/agency's needs; solicit client/agency's feedback to improve service; respond to requests for service and assistance; meet commitments.
- Sensitivity to concerns about liability and indemnification; awareness of public relations and implications of high-profile cases.
- Ability to manage significant caseload.